NOTE ON A MEDUSA FROM THE TROPICAL PACIFIC.

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In 1829 Eschscholtz (System der Acalephen, p. 89, pl. XI., fig. 1), described and figured a Medusa from the Tropical Pacific, under the name Gorgonia rosacea. This species has been subsequently placed in the genus Liriope by Gegenbauer (Versuch eines Systems der Medusen, p. 257.) Later writers as L. Agassiz and E. Haeckel, have adopted the view taken of this species by Gegenbauer (l.c.)

No specimens have however, been seen by all these authors, all copying the diagnosis of Eschscholtz.

Among the Medusæ collected by D. Richter of S.M. "Stosch," this species is represented by two fine specimens, which were both procured in the Phillippine Islands.

Both specimens are of equal size. Umbrella 5 mm, high and 9 mm, wide. They are consequently much larger than the specimen described by Eschscholtz.

Haeckel (System der Medusen I., p. 290), doubts the correctness of the statement made by Eschscholtz that this species has no "Zangenkegel," tongue cave.

In the two specimens, which I have examined no tongue was present, so that the diagnosis given by Eschscholtz appears correct in this respect.